

PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD OF CALIFORNIA Consumer Protection Services Program

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September 26, 2002

Kathy Waldner-Gourash 2007 No. El Molino Ave. Altadena, CA 91001 Citation No. 02-03-0008

License No. PT 6393

CITATION

Investigation of a recently submitted complaint has revealed actions taken by you which violate sections of the law regulating the practice of physical therapy.

The investigation conducted confirmed that on or about May 5, 2000 a discharge summary was completed by Jeanette Paragas, AT, to patient NW and was cosigned by Dough McCloud, PT; and on or about November 8, 2000 a discharge was completed by Jeanette Paragas, AT, to patient VM and cosigned by Cindy Collins, PT. On your response to the Physical Therapy Board of California, dated March 11, 2002, you admit allowing physical therapist assistants to conduct discharge summaries and then having the discharge summaries cosigned by the licensed physical therapist.

Therefore, a citation is hereby issued to you in accordance with Section 125.9 of the Business and Professions Code for the violations described below.

FIRST CAUSE FOR CITATION

1. Business and Professions Code 2660 (j) Aiding and abetting a violation of the Physical Therapy Practice Act

SECOND CAUSE FOR CITATION

2. Business and Professions Code 2660 (k) Aiding and Abetting the unlawful practice of physical therapy.

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ORDER

Further, **you are ordered to pay a fine of \$600.00** to the Physical Therapy Board of California within 30 days after receipt of this Citation.

If you wish to contest all or any part of this Citation, complete the enclosed "Notice of Appeal -Request for Informal Conference" form and return it to this office within 10 days after receipt of this Citation. The date indicated on the order of abatement will be held in abeyance <u>only</u> for any violation(s) you wish to contest. The time to correct all uncontested violations will be adhered to as specified. In the alternative, you may, within 30 days after receipt of this Citation, request a <u>formal</u> administrative hearing before an administrative law judge under the Administrative Procedure Act.

FAILURE TO RETURN THE REQUEST FOR INFORMAL CONFERENCE FORM OR TO REQUEST AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING WITHIN THE TIMES INDICATED WILL WAIVE YOUR RIGHT TO ADMINISTRATIVELY CONTEST OR APPEAL THIS CITATION.

Administrative Fine

\$ 600.00

FOR YOUR PROTECTION AND TO ASSURE PROPER CREDIT,
PLEASE RETURN THE COPY OF THE CITATION
AND NOTE THE CITATION NUMBER ON YOUR CHECK
OR MONEY ORDER.

September 26, 2002 Date

Original Signed By:
STEVEN K. HARTZELL
Executive Officer



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ORDER OF ABATEMENT

September 26, 2002

Citation Against: Kathy Waldner-Gourash	Citation No. 02-03-0008
<u>Item No. 1 & 2</u>	
Violations: Business and Professions Code Section26	660 (j)(k) .
1. Business and Professions Code 2660 (j) Aiding and abetting a violation of the Physical Ther	apy Practice Act
2. Business and Professions Code 2660 (k)	

Aiding and Abetting the unlawful practice of physical therapy.

Order of Correction

You are hereby ordered to abate this violation immediately and to cease and desist from further violation.

Failure to comply with the provisions of this Citation and Order of Abatement within 30 days of receipt may result in further legal action.